# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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Agricultural Census
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government conducts survey on agricultural development in the country every year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to conduct 10th National Agricultural Census/Survey in February 2017 and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the proposed survey/census is likely to be completed?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare implements the Integrated Scheme of Agriculture Census, Economics and Statistics to collect data on various facets of Agriculture Sector including structural characteristics of operational holdings, area and production of various crops, cost of cultivation etc., through various components of the Scheme.

(b) & (c): The Agriculture Census is conducted at five yearly intervals to collect data on operational holdings in the country, in three Phases, following Census/ Sample Survey approach. The tenth Agriculture Census 2015-16 has been launched in the country. The reference year for Phase-1 and Phase-II of the Census is the year 2015-16 (July-June). For Phase-III of the Census (referred as Input Survey), the reference year is 2016-17 (July-June). Data collection /compilation for first Phase of the Census have been started from July, 2016. The activities of Agriculture Census are carried out in the time-frame of five years.

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